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Reds on Fulbright: Intelligence agencies monitoring the Communist radio report that J. William Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, is the latest hero of Radio East Berlin.

On October 16, Communist propagandist Goetz Gaertner took to the air to praise Fulbright as a man of peace. He and Fulbright, Gaertner said, were "in agreement that there must not be shouting but negotiations; that understanding of the realities of this world must be gained; that it is best to speak man to man."

Fulbright was singled out for his courageous stands on key foreign policy issues. Examples:

- *On August 13, 1961, Fulbright upheld the right of the East Germans to barricade the East-West border in Berlin: "I do not understand why the East Germans are not closing their frontier, because I hold they have a right to close it."*

- Fulbright blasted the U-2 flights of 1960: "Apart from the lunacy of a preventive war, there is nothing that can be more dangerous than resumption of the U-2 flights over the USSR." For this, Fulbright was praised by Gaertner for being "one of the few to have the courage to uphold truth."